

Recreation's Future in the Northern Olympic Peninsula Trail Systems

The Department of Natural Resources encourages volunteer participation. Recreational users working in partnership with DNR can have positive impact. Today's decisions regarding resources have long-lasting consequences; we all have an incentive to become stewards of this land. Each year, vandalism and abuse of state lands cost taxpayers thousands of dollars in repairs and lost resources. If the forest ecosystem or recreational facilities are damaged, use will be limited to protect resources.

More Information

For more information about these trail systems and how you can help protect the resources and recreational opportunities, contact:

Department of Natural Resources
Olympic Region
411 Tillicum Lane
Forks, WA 98331
(360) 374-6131 TTY (360) 374-2819

Emergency! Emergency!

- Phone numbers you need to know:
- Medical Aid/Sheriff — 911
 - Vandalism — 1-800-527-3305
 - To report Wildfires — 1-800-562-6010 or 911

Persons needing the information contained in this brochure in an alternate format may call:
(360) 902-1340 or TTY (360) 902-1125



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Northern Olympic Peninsula trail systems

There are numerous opportunities for hiking, motorized trail bike riding and other outdoor recreation on the northern Olympic Peninsula. Some of the lands managed by the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in this area are open for these activities. The Sadie Creek and Foothills trail systems are maintained for motorized trail bike use. The Striped Peak trail system is open for hiking. The Little River trail head south of the Foothills is open for hiking access to the Olympic National Park. Near Sadie Creek, Murdock Beach offers beach access and Lyre River has camping and picnicking facilities.

The state Department of Natural Resources manages these lands as "working forests" – part of the permanent endowment of trust lands managed by the agency.

Supporting the trust beneficiaries...forever

Under DNR's statewide management, roughly 3 million acres of upland trust have generated more than \$4 billion since 1970. These trust lands generate continuing revenue for trust beneficiaries while maintaining healthy ecosystems and resources. This assures future generations the benefits we enjoy today.



The forests benefit us all

Today, DNR manages these forests to benefit the public by:

- Providing money for trust beneficiaries such as Clallam County and public school construction
- Protecting fish and wildlife habitat
- Providing recreational use, when it does not threaten resources or devalue trust assets

Remember these rules on DNR-managed lands:

- Stay on maintained trails; please don't cut switchbacks.
- Respect the rights of others on trails.
- Watch for hazardous trail conditions.
- No riding in streams or on embankments.
- Do not alter or remove vegetation.
- Pack out garbage and litter.
- Campfires are allowed in designated fire pits only unless otherwise posted.
- Maintain quiet in campgrounds between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Use caution on forest roads

The trails featured in this brochure are a combination of hiking, horse, and off-road vehicle (ORV) trails. To get to these trails you must share roads with logging trucks and heavy equipment. Be ready to yield the right of way. Speed limit is 25 mph on forest management roads.

All Off-road vehicles must have:

- Vehicle license or ORV permit tag
- US Forest Service-approved spark arresting muffler for ORVs

Striped Peak

This 2-mile trail features forests and views of Vancouver Island, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the Olympic Mountains. There is beach access to a small cove from the trail. The beach is mostly rock bluffs with gravel and hardpan in the cove.